

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Health Medical & Family Welfare Department – Sri Ch. Ramulu, Administrative Officer (Retired), Area Hospital, Miryalaguda, Nalgonda district – Departmental proceedings under rule 20 of APKS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Initiated – Charges held proved – Penalty of withholding 10% pension for a period of four years – Awarded – Orders – Issued.

HEALTH, MEDICAL & FAMILY WELFARE (VC-1) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Ms. No. 360

Dated:28-12-2010

Read the following:-

1. From the Director General, ACB, Letter No. 108/DES-HND/2003, dated 31.1.2004
2. G.O. Rt. No. 761, Health Medical & Family Welfare (VC.I) Department, dated 28.08.2004.
3. Memo. No. 24069/VC.I(2)/2003-, Health, Medical & Family Welfare (VC.I) Department, Dt. 24.06.2006.
4. From the Inquiring Authority, Inquiry Report, dt. 2.4.2009.
5. Memo. No. 24069/VC.I(2)/2003, Health, Medical & Family Welfare (VC.I) Department, Dt. 11.5.2009.
6. From Sri Ch. Ramulu, Administrative Officer (retired), explanation, dated 26.06.2009.
7. Memo. No. 24069/VC.I(2)/2003, Health Medical & Family Welfare (VC.I) Department, dated 18.02.2010.
8. From Sri Ch. Ramulu, Administrative Officer (Retd.), explanation, dated 25.10.2010.
9. Government Letter No. 24069/VC.I(2)/2003, Health Medical & Family Welfare Department, dated 02.11.2010.
10. From the Principal Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission, Hyderabad, Letter No. 1646/RT.I/1/2010, Dated 06.12.2010.

O R D E R:

On credible information that the Duty Doctors of Area Hospital, A.P.V.V.P., Miryalaguda, Nalgonda district were practicing in private clinics / hospitals during duty hours and that the office staff of the said hospital were not regularly attending their duties, a surprise check was conducted by the Anti-Corruption Bureau officials on 21.10.2003 at 12.30 hours, in the presence of mediators. A report in the reference first read above, was submitted by the Anti-Corruption Bureau to the Government, recommending departmental action against the erring staff.

2. Government have accepted the recommendations of the Director General, A.C.B. and departmental action has been initiated, among others, against Sri Ch. Ramulu, Administrative Officer, Area Hospital, Miryalaguda, vide G.O. second read above. The following article of charge was framed against him:-

"that Sri Ch. Ramulu, s/o Latchaiah, joined Government service on 23.12.1964 as Junior Assistant, while functioning as Administrative Officer, Area Hospital, Miryalaguda, Nalgonda district during the period between 30.03.2002 till his retirement on 30.11.2003 committed grave mis-conduct in as much as that he had signed the Attendance Register but found absent on 21.10.2003 at 12.30 hours and failed to maintain absolute integrity in violation of A.P. Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964"

3. The Charged Officer has submitted his explanation denying charge and stated that on 21.10.2003, just before 12.30 p.m. he left the office to have a cup of tea at canteen existing in the hospital premises and soon after return to the office he was with inspection authorities upto end of inspection i.e., 10.30 night and requested to excuse him for the said mistake as he has already retired from service. The explanation of Sri Ch. Ramulu, Administrative Officer (Retired), was not considered as convincing based on the material evidence and the Government decided to conduct a regular inquiry into the articles of charge against all Charged Officers

involved in this case. Accordingly, in the reference third read above, Smt. Chandana Khan, IAS, Commissioner of Inquiries was appointed as Inquiring Authority to conduct regular inquiry. The Inquiring Authority has conducted the inquiry and submitted report, vide reference fourth read above, holding that charge was sustained against Sri Ch. Ramulu, Administrative Officer (Retired).

4. The findings of the Inquiring Authority have been examined carefully by the Government and were accepted. In the reference fifth read above, while forwarding a copy of the Inquiry Report, Sri Ch. Ramulu, Administrative Officer (Retired) was requested to submit his representation, if any, against the findings of the I.A. In the reference sixth read above, the Accused Officer has submitted his explanation, which was a repeat of the explanation submitted to the articles of charge and no new reason was mentioned. Therefore, Government have provisionally decided to impose a penalty of withholding 10% of pension due to him for a period of four years. A show cause notice was issued to the Accused Officer, accordingly, for making representation, if any, against the proposed penalty. In the reference eighth read above, Sri Ch. Ramulu, Administrative Officer (Retired) which was same as the defence statement submitted by him to the articles of charge.

5. Government have examined the representation of the Accused Officer in the light of findings of the Inquiring Authority and observed that the contention of Sri Ch. Ramulu, Administrative Officer (Retired) is devoid of merits. Government have, therefore, decided to confirm the provisional decision taken to award the penalty of withholding of 10% pension for a period of four years against Sri Ch. Ramulu, Administrative Officer (Retired), Area Hospital, Miryalaguda. In the reference ninth read above, the Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission was addressed for its concurrence of the provisional decision taken by the Government. In the reference tenth read above, the Principal Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission has stated that after careful examination of the disciplinary case in the light of the records made available, Commission agree with the proposal of the Government to impose the penalty of withholding 10% of pension for a period of four years against Sri Ch. Ramulu, Administrative Officer (Retired), Area Hospital, Miryalaguda and advised accordingly.

6. Under rule 9 of the A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980, Government hereby award the penalty of withholding 10% (ten percent) pension for a period of four years against Sri Ch. Ramulu, Administrative Officer (Retired), Area Hospital, Miryalaguda, Nalgonda district.

7. The Commissioner, A.P. Vaidya Vidhana Parishad shall take further action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr.P.V.RAMESH
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri Ch. Ramulu, Administrative Officer (Retd.),
(through the Commissioner, A.P. Vaidya Vidhana Parishad, Hyderabad).

The Commissioner, A.P. Vaidya Vidhana Parishad, Hyderabad.

Copy to:

The Accountant-General, A.P., Hyderabad.

The Principal Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission,
Nampally, Hyderabad.

The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

The Secretary to Vigilance Commission, Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission,
H-Block, Secretariat.

The OSD to Minister (M&H)

The P.S. to Principal Secretary, Medical & Health Department
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SECTION OFFICER